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(57) Abstract: A process for the manufacture of the calcium salt of (E)-7-[4-(4-fluorophenyl)-6-isopropyl-2-[methyl (methylsulfonyl) amino]pyrimidin-5-yl](3R,5S)-3,5-dihydroxyhept-6-enoic acid, useful as an HMGCoA reductase inhibitor, from a compound
of the formula (7) wherein A is an acetal or ketal protecting group and R is alkyl, via isolated crystalline compounds of the formula
(8) or of formula (10) is described. Crystalline intermediates of formulae 7, 8 and 10 are also described.

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